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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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TOMAS NILSSON

TIRE DEVICE

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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF ABANDONMENT AND REQUEST FOR
REINSTATEMENT OF APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Attention: Charitta A. Burt

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Notification of Abandonment dated 04/03/02, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the abandonment of this matter.

The Office has abandoned this application as apparently Applicant has failed to provide the full U.S. Basic National Fee by 30 months (37 CFR 1.495 (b) (2)). In response the Applicant provides the following documents to prove that this fee has in fact been paid:

- (1) A copy of Applicant's check stub #7991 showing that on December 6,

2001 an amount of \$930 was paid to the U.S. Patent Office;

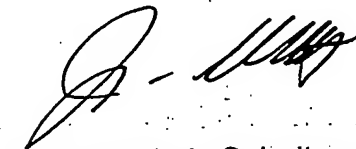
- (2) A copy of the Transmittal for the Patent Application, which indicates on page 2 of the same that if the fees submitted are insufficient, that the Commissioner was authorized to charge any additional fees deemed necessary to the Applicant's Deposit account number 19-0083;
- (3) A copy of the Receipt Acknowledgment postcard stamped by the Patent Office, indicating that the above documents were effectively received on December 6, 2001.

Inasmuch as these documents indicate that the fees have been paid, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the Notification of Abandonment of this application and requests reinstatement of the same.

Should the Examiner need to discuss this matter with the undersigned, please do not hesitate to contact us at (330) 244-1174.

Respectfully submitted at Canton, Ohio this 9th day of April, 2002.

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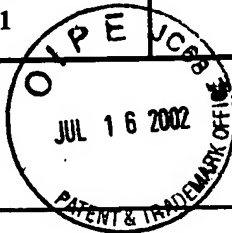
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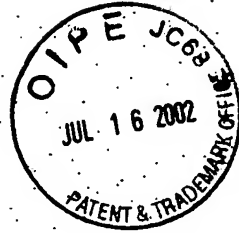
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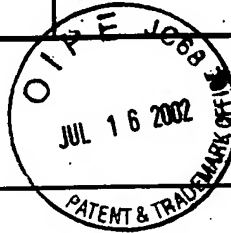
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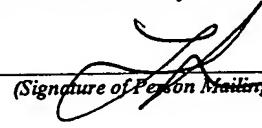
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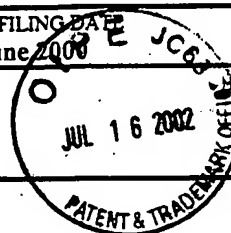
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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 CFR 1.5)

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.
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7 June 2000PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
10 June 1999TITLE OF INVENTION
TIRE DEVICEAPPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US
TOMAS NILSSON

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2))
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
 - b. ☒ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).
11. ☒ A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).
12. ☐ A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).

Items 13 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

13. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
14. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
15. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
16. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
17. ☐ A substitute specification.
18. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
19. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
20. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
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22. ☒ Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail
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24. The following fees are submitted:

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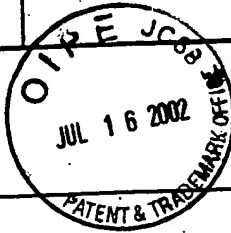
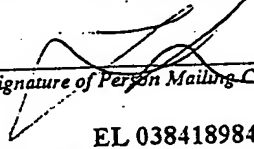
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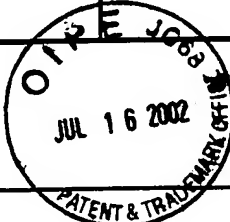
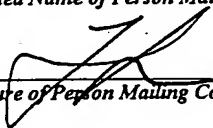
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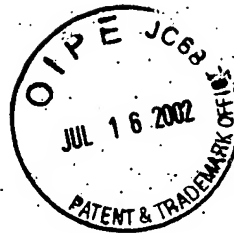
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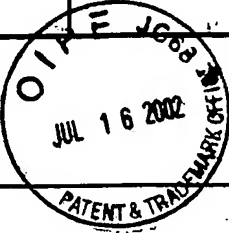

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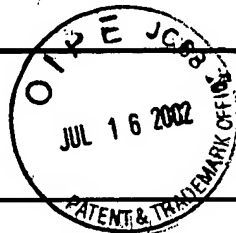
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